

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

- 1 - 4. (Cancelled)
5. (Previously presented) A suspension device, comprising:
a base member comprising a housing; and
a clamping assembly mounted for sliding movement relative to the base member and adapted to clamp an item wherein the clamping assembly includes a first clamping member and a second clamping member movable with respect to the first clamping member and wherein the second clamping member is pivotable between first and second angular limits with respect to the first clamping member wherein the first and second angular limits comprise zero and thirty degrees, respectively.
6. (Cancelled)
7. (Cancelled)
8. (Previously presented) A suspension device, comprising:
a base member comprising a housing; and
a clamping assembly mounted for sliding movement relative to the base member and adapted to clamp an item wherein the clamping assembly includes a first clamping member and a second clamping member movable with respect to the first clamping member and wherein the housing includes a mounting member, side walls extending from the mounting member and defining a channel within which the clamping assembly is disposed and further including a tab extending into the channel and a cam surface carried by the second clamping member wherein the cam surface contacts the tab and pivots the second clamping

member with respect to the first clamping member when the clamping assembly is moved toward an extreme position.

9. (Previously presented) A suspension device, comprising:
a base member comprising a housing; and
a clamping assembly mounted for sliding movement relative to the base member and adapted to clamp an item wherein the clamping assembly includes a first clamping member and a second clamping member movable with respect to the first clamping member and wherein the second clamping member includes a flexible guide rail disposed in an elongate recess in the housing wherein the flexible guide rail causes the second clamping member to exert a clamping force on the first clamping member.

10. (Previously presented) A suspension device, comprising:
a base member comprising a housing; and
a clamping assembly mounted for sliding movement relative to the base member and adapted to clamp an item wherein the clamping assembly includes a first clamping member and a second clamping member movable with respect to the first clamping member and wherein the second clamping member includes a pin pivotally mounted to the first clamping member, an arm portion, and a stop member engageable with the first clamping member.

11. (Original) The suspension device of claim 10, wherein the arm portion contacts the first clamping member when the second clamping member is moved to a first position and wherein the stop member contacts the first clamping member when the second clamping member is moved to a second position.

12. (Original) The suspension device of claim 10, wherein the arm portion includes an elongate flange with first and second grooves and first and second jaw portions depending from the elongate flange.

13. (Previously presented) The suspension device of claim 12, wherein the elongate flange and the first and second jaw portions surround a top portion of the first clamping member when the first clamping member is moved to the first position.

14. (Cancelled)

15. (Cancelled)

16. (Previously presented) A suspension device, comprising:
a base member comprising a housing; and
a clamping assembly mounted for sliding movement relative to the base member and adapted to clamp an item wherein the clamping assembly includes a first clamping member and a second clamping member movable with respect to the first clamping member and in combination with an item clamped between the first clamping member and the second clamping member and wherein the first clamping member includes an elongate body having a grasping portion disposed at one end thereof and a guide portion disposed at another end thereof.

17. (Original) The suspension device of claim 16, wherein the guide portion includes a pair of guide members.

18. (Cancelled)

19. (Previously presented) A suspension device, comprising:
a base member; and
a clamping assembly mounted for sliding movement relative to the base member and adapted to clamp an item wherein the base member includes two pairs of elongate recesses and the clamping assembly includes two pairs of guide members disposed and guided within the elongate recesses.

20. (Previously presented) A suspension device for a pouch, comprising:
a housing;
a clamping assembly slidable along a linear path with respect to the housing
and having a first clamping member and a second clamping member wherein the second
clamping member is movable with respect to the first clamping member and adapted to clamp
the pouch therebetween; and
a flexible guide rail extending from a side of the second clamping member
wherein the flexible guide rail is pivotable about a longitudinal axis of the second clamping
member.
21. (Original) The suspension device of claim 20, wherein the housing includes a
mounting member.
22. (Original) The suspension device of claim 20, wherein the housing includes
first and second side walls.
23. (Previously presented) A suspension device for a pouch, comprising:
a housing having a mounting member and first and second side walls;
a clamping assembly slidable along a linear path with respect to the housing
and having a first clamping member and a second clamping member wherein the second
clamping member is movable with respect to the first clamping member and adapted to clamp
the pouch therebetween wherein each of the first and the second side walls includes two
elongate recesses.
24. (Previously presented) A suspension device for a pouch, comprising:
a housing;
a clamping assembly slidable along a linear path with respect to the housing
and having a first clamping member and a second clamping member wherein the second
clamping member is movable with respect to the first clamping member and adapted to clamp
the pouch therebetween wherein the first clamping member includes an elongate body

having a grasping portion disposed at one end thereof and a guide portion disposed at another end thereof.

25. (Original) The suspension device of claim 24, wherein the guide portion includes a pair of guide rails.

26. (Previously presented) The suspension device of claim 24, in combination with a pouch wherein the pouch is suspended between the elongate body and the second clamping member.

27. (Previously presented) The suspension device of claim 26, wherein the pouch includes an open end and wherein the open end is closed between the first and second clamping members.

28. (Previously presented) A suspension device for a pouch, comprising:
a housing;
a clamping assembly slidable along a linear path with respect to the housing and having a first clamping member and a second clamping member wherein the second clamping member is movable with respect to the first clamping member and adapted to clamp the pouch therebetween wherein the second clamping member includes a pin pivotally mounted to the first clamping member, and an arm portion and a stop member engageable with the first clamping member.

29. (Original) The suspension device of claim 28, wherein the arm portion contacts the first clamping member when the second clamping member is moved to a first position and wherein the stop member contacts that first clamping member when the second clamping member is moved to a second position.

30. (Original) The suspension device of claim 29, wherein the arm portion includes an elongate flange with first and second grooves and first and second jaw portions depending from the elongate flange.

31. (Original) The suspension device of claim 30, wherein the elongate flange and the first and second jaw portions surround a top portion of the first clamping member when the first clamping member is moved to the first position.

32. (Original) The suspension device of claim 28, wherein the second clamping member is pivotable through a range of motion of about thirty degrees with respect to the first clamping member.

33. (Previously presented) A suspension device for a pouch, comprising:
a housing having a pair of first, second and third elongate recesses;
a clamping assembly slidable along a linear path with respect to the housing;
wherein the clamping assembly comprises a first clamping member and a guide portion comprising first and second pairs of guide members deposited in the second and third pairs of elongate recesses; and
a second clamping member comprising a flexible guide rail disposed in the first elongate recesses.

34. (Original) The suspension device of claim 33, wherein the mounting member includes at least three support slots and is attached to a surface.

35. (Previously presented) The suspension device of claim 34, wherein the surface is a cabinet or a shelf.

36. (Previously presented) The suspension device of claim 33, in combination with a pouch wherein the second clamping member closes onto the first clamping member with the pouch suspended therebetween.

37. (Currently amended) The suspension device of claim 33, wherein the an arm portion includes an elongate flange and a pair of first and second jaw portions.

38. (Original) The suspension device of claim 33, wherein the first pair of elongate recesses comprises flanges or rails and wherein the flanges or rails comprise sloped portions.

39. (Original) The suspension device of claim 38, wherein the flexible guide rail comprises first and second flexible portions and wherein the first and second flexible portions slide along the sloped portions and flex a first and second distance into the first elongate recesses.

40. (Original) The suspension device of claim 33, wherein the housing includes first and second sidewalls.

41. (Previously presented) The suspension device of claim 33, wherein the second clamping member further comprises a pin and a stop member having a cam surface and a stop surface.

42. (Currently amended) The suspension device of claim 41, wherein the guide portion further includes first and second openings with ~~[[a]]~~ the pin deposited therein.

43. (Original) The suspension device of claim 41, wherein the cam surface contacts the housing in a first position.

44. (Original) The suspension device of claim 41, wherein the housing comprises a tab adjacent to the cam surface in a second position.

45. (Original) The suspension device of claim 41, wherein the stop member restricts the movement from a first angular limit to a second angular limit between the first clamping member and second clamping member.

46. (Original) The suspension device of claim 45, wherein first and second angular limits comprise zero and thirty degrees, respectively.

47. (Previously presented) A method for suspending a pouch, the method comprising the steps of:

providing a clamping assembly mounted for sliding movement along a track of a housing and having first and second clamping members adapted to clamp the pouch;

outwardly sliding the clamping assembly relative to the housing wherein a cam surface of the second clamping member engages a portion of the housing thereby pivoting the second clamping member away from the first clamping member and thus opening the clamping assembly;

placing the pouch in the clamping assembly; and

simultaneously closing and sliding the clamping assembly into the housing such that the pouch is suspended from the clamping assembly.

48. (Previously presented) The method of claim 47, wherein the step of placing the pouch in the clamping assembly includes the step of moving the second clamping member into engagement with the first clamping member while the pouch is disposed therebetween.

49. (Previously presented) A method for suspending a pouch, the method comprising the steps of:

providing a clamping assembly mounted for sliding movement in a housing and adapted to clamp the pouch;

opening the clamping assembly;

placing the pouch in the clamping assembly; and

simultaneously closing and sliding the clamping assembly into the housing such that the pouch is suspended from the clamping assembly wherein the housing includes a channel within which the clamping assembly extends wherein the clamping assembly includes first and second clamping members and wherein the step of opening the clamping

assembly includes the step of moving a cam surface of the second clamping member into engagement with a tab of the housing.

50. (Original) The method of claim 49, wherein the second clamping member includes an arm portion and a stop surface wherein the step of opening includes the step of displacing the clamping member from a first position at which the arm portion is in contact with the first clamping member to a second position at which the stop surface is in contact with the first clamping member.

51. (Original) The method of claim 47, wherein the step of simultaneously closing and sliding includes the step of moving the clamping assembly along a linear path with respect to the housing.

52. (Original) The method of claim 47, wherein the step of simultaneously closing and sliding further includes the step of engaging a first guide surface of the housing with a second guide surface of the clamping assembly.

53. (Previously presented) A method for suspending a pouch, the method comprising the steps of:

providing a clamping assembly mounted for sliding movement in a housing and adapted to clamp the pouch;

opening the clamping assembly;

placing the pouch in the clamping assembly; and

simultaneously closing and sliding the clamping assembly into the housing such that the pouch is suspended from the clamping assembly wherein the step of simultaneously closing and sliding further includes the step of engaging a first guide surface of the housing with a second guide surface of the clamping assembly and wherein the step of engaging includes the step of guiding a pair of guide rails of the clamping assembly in a pair of elongate recesses of the housing.

54. (New) A suspension device, comprising:
a base member comprising a housing; and
a first clamping member and a second clamping member, wherein the first clamping member and the second clamping member are adapted to clamp an item therebetween and are mounted for sliding movement relative to the base member in a direction along a linear path, wherein the second clamping member is further movable with respect to the first clamping member, and wherein the base member includes a surface that limits travel of the first and second clamping members relative to the base member along the linear path direction.